Lunenburg Council on Aging Meeting Minutes September 8, 2015 MINUTES APPROVED AT THE 10/13/2015 COA MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Pete Lincoln called the meeting to order at 9:30AM.

<u>Present:</u> Pete Lincoln (Chairperson), Susan Doherty (Director), Debbie Lincoln, Sarah Grant, Diane Nowd, Betty DiGiacomo, Kevin McNally, Judy Tarbell, Jacquelyn Dwyer, Brian Guenard & Jane Rabbitt.

Excused: Cheryl Moisan

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mr. Lincoln reminded all board members that if they cannot attend a meeting to call him, not the office, to let him know.

Mr. Lincoln wished all board members born in September a Happy Birthday.

MINUTES APPROVAL: Ms. Dwyer moved to accept the August 11, 2015 Council on Aging minutes. Mr. McNally seconded. On vote, motion carried unanimously.

CURRENT BUSINESS

1. Boston Post Cane Ceremony October 19th 2PM: Ms. Doherty reported that she had visited the next recipient of the Boston Post Cane, Sarah Powell. Mrs. Powell is a delightful person and is looking forward to having her family attend the ceremony at the Eagle House.

2. Director's Report:

- **Budget Report:** Ms. Doherty explained that due to the 2 meal site resignations, there will once again be money in the COA budget to restore the previously cut hours of the 2 kitchen aides. Hours will be restored after September 30, 2015.
- **Property Tax Work-Off Committee:** The next meeting to start plans for next year's program will be on September 15, 2015.
- Building Repair Progress: No further building repairs have been done. The water damaged hallways will be painted after the roof in the front foyer has been repaired.
 Mr. Guenard questioned whether or not anti-freeze was used in the heating system at the senior center and mentioned that he would speak to DPW about that. He will also inquire about what the plans are going to be to fix the roof.
- **Eagle Scout Walkway:** Work has begun on the walkway connecting the upper parking lot to the lower lot. Although the construction has slowed down it is still anticipated to be completed by November.

Wednesday Stretch & Tone classes will resume on September 23rd.

Beginning on October 7th the Eagle House will be open on Wednesdays from 8am-8pm. There will be an ongoing Yoga class along with arts/crafts and public information programs on those evenings.

5. Update on Eagle House Recreation Area: Mr. Lincoln reported that the shuffle board court construction will begin in October.

Board members also discussed the installation of the new shed and the fact that the land needs to be leveled before placement.

Also discussed was the possibility of purchasing a small generator to keep the sprinkler system running in the event of a power outage.

7. Task Groups Re-Organization/Liaison to Eagle House Supporters Inc.: Board members discussed the Task Groups and questioned if there were actually a need for them. It was decided to do away with the COA Task Groups, and to form Ad-Hoc groups when needed.

Ms. Lincoln moved to terminate all Council on Aging Task Groups (Advocacy, Communication, & Public Relations). Ms. Grant seconded. On vote, motion carried unanimously.

NOTICES & COMMUNICATIONS:

BOARD COMMENT: Ms. Doherty mentioned that the public access video advertising the Eagle House has been recorded and is currently in the process of being edited.

Ms. Nowd encouraged all to attend the upcoming Stillman Fair.

The board discussed the possibility of board members volunteering to be "greeters" at the senior center to welcome visitors.

Ms. Doherty reminded the board about the upcoming Open Meetings Law Workshop to be held at the end of September.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, Mr. Guenard moved to adjourn the COA meeting. Ms. DiGiacomo seconded. On vote, motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15AM

UPCOMING MEETING SCHEDULE

October 8, 2015, 9:30am

Respectfully Submitted
Susan Doherty, Director
Lunenburg Council on Aging